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Mail Stop RCE

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

This paper is herewith filed in response to the Final Office Action mailed on October 21, 2005, for the above-captioned U.S. Patent Application. As such, no petition for an extension of time or fee is believed to be due, as this response is herewith filed within the shortened statutory period. However, should the undersigned attorney be mistaken, please consider this a petition for any extension of time that may be required to maintain the pendency of this Patent Application, and charge deposit account no.: 50-0510 for any required fee deficiency.

Please amend the application as shown below.